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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re

U.S. Application of:

Tsutomu YAMAZAKI

For:

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002 which provides for a response period ending March 3, 2003.

Amendments to the specification are presented herein by presenting replacement paragraphs for the specification. Also, an Appendix entitled "Version With Markings to